



MISSOURI DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAM

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT • DIVISION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE

To help permanently laid-off Missouri workers re-enter the work force.

AUTHORIZATION

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998

ELIGIBLE AREAS

Statewide.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Permanently laid-off Missouri workers.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Those eligible for dislocated worker services include workers permanently laid off from their job due to a work force reduction, business closure, or farm failure and displaced homemakers.

PROGRAM BENEFITS/ELIGIBLE USES

Missouri Career Centers throughout the state provide the following services:

- Assessment of worker's education, experience and skills to determine marketability to the desired work force area;
- Assistance with basic education skills or obtaining a General Equivalency Degree;
- Classroom or vocational training necessary for laid-off workers to re-enter the work force in a new occupation;
- On-the-job training to provide laid-off workers the opportunity to train for a new job while working and earning a paycheck;
- Job development and placement to help laid-off workers find employment in high demand occupations;
- Counseling to help workers overcome the trauma of job loss, loss of health care and other company benefits, strain of financial obligations, family problems, and uncertainties about remaining in their community.

FUNDING LIMITS

Funds are appropriated annually to the state by the U.S. Department of Labor and are available to the extent of the appropriation.

APPLICATION/APPROVAL PROCEDURE

Application for employment services can be made at any Missouri Career Center.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Periodic contacts with Career Center staff until employment goals are met.

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Must be laid off within the past two years or received notice of layoff within the past six months.

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